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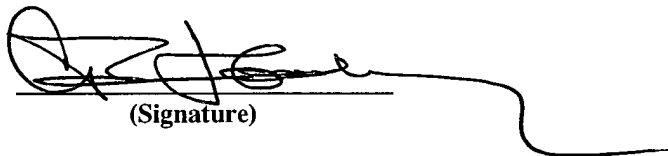
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Minoru IKUTA, et al.  
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For : BURNER HEAD AND GAS BURNING APPLIANCE  
PROVIDED WITH SUCH A BURNER HEAD  
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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of September 14, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: